

Proclamation—untouchability—abolition of.

269. Mr. P. Kesavan Nambudiri.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1) whether and if so, when they have communicated to His Highness the Maharaja, the resolution passed in this Council requesting for a Proclamation being issued abolishing untouchability in the State;

2. whether they have got any reply in the matter?

Rama Varmha Tampuran—Government regret that they cannot at this stage publish any information about the points raised in the question.

Canal communication—Kunnamkulam.

270. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform with reference to the answer to question No. 3 dated 22nd January 1934, the details asked for by the Madras Government and whether they have been furnished; and if so, whether a copy of the communication received from the Madras Government as well as a copy of the reply thereto sent by the Government of Cochin be printed and placed on the table?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The Madras Government have asked for a description and an approximate idea of the cost of the whole scheme and the share, if any, which they are desired to contribute. The information has not been supplied. It is being gathered.

Report—Rural Reconstruction Committee.

271. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a copy of the Report submitted by the Rural Reconstruction Committee and state what action has been taken by the Government thereon?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Member is referred to pages 465 to 564 of part I of the Cochin Government Gazette, dated 20th Kumbham 1109.

Narakkal High School—visit of the D. P. I.

272. Mr. Paul Tampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) has the Director of Public Instruction visited the Sirkar High School, Narakkal in 1108 and in the first half year of 1109;

(b) if so, the number of visits made by the Director?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.